

(e) **Unfavorable Report.** – When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it not be passed and no minority report accompanies it, the bill shall be placed on the unfavorable calendar.

(f) **Minority Report.** – When a bill is reported by a standing committee with a recommendation that it not be passed or that it be postponed indefinitely, but it is accompanied by a minority report signed by at least one-fourth of the members of the standing committee who were present and voting when the bill was considered in standing committee, the question before the House shall be: "The adoption of the minority report." If the minority report is adopted by majority vote, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar for consideration. If the minority report fails of adoption by a majority vote, the bill shall be placed on the unfavorable calendar.

**RULE 36.1. Fiscal Notes.** – (a) The Chair or Cochair of the Appropriations Committee, of the Finance Committee, or of the Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House Committee, upon the floor of the House, may request that a fiscal analysis be made of a bill, resolution, or an amendment to a bill or resolution which is in the possession of the House and that a fiscal note be attached to the measure, when in the opinion of that Chair the fiscal effects of that measure are not apparent from the language of the measure.

(b) The fiscal note shall be filed and attached to the bill or amendment within two legislative days of the request. If it is impossible to prepare a fiscal note within two legislative days, the Director of Fiscal Research shall, in writing, so advise the Speaker, the Principal Clerk, and the member introducing or proposing the measure and shall indicate the time when the fiscal note will be ready.

(c) The fiscal note shall be prepared by the Fiscal Research Division on a form approved by the Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House Committee as to content and form and signed by the staff member or members preparing it. If no estimate in dollars is possible, the fiscal note shall indicate the reasons that no estimate is provided. The fiscal note shall not comment on the merit but may identify technical problems. The Fiscal Research Division shall make the fiscal note available to the membership of the House.

(d) A sponsor of a bill or amendment may deliver a copy of the bill or amendment to the Fiscal Research Division for the preparation of a fiscal note. The sponsor shall attach the fiscal note to the bill when filed or to the amendment when its adoption is moved.

(e) The sponsor of a bill or amendment to which a fiscal note is attached who objects to the estimates and information provided may reduce to writing the objections. These objections shall be appended to the fiscal note attached to the bill or amendment and to the copies of the fiscal note available to the membership.